

Amendments To The Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

5 Claims 1 – 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (new) A decorative outdoor lighting system, comprising:

 a plurality of lighting fixtures for insertion into the ground at regularly spaced intervals from each other;

10 each lighting fixture including a stake having a lower end for insertion into the ground, an opposed upper end, and a hollow interior;

 each stake further including a coupling assembly located at the upper end and the coupling assembly including at least four inwardly extending protrusions;

15 a bulb and shade assembly for removable securement to the coupling assembly of the stake, the bulb and shade assembly including a stem, a bulb mounted to the stem, and a shade;

 the stem including a circular head having four slots spaced at 90 degrees from each other and which are slidably mateable with the protrusions of the coupling assembly at the upper end of the stake for interconnecting the bulb and shade assembly to the upper end of the stake;

20 the stem capable of being rotated in quarter turns for locking and unlocking the bulb and shade assembly to the stake so that the bulb and shade assembly is interchangeable on the stakes for suiting a particular holiday occasion and event;

the bulb and shade assembly being interconnected so that the bulb and shade assembly can be mounted and removed as a unit to the coupling assembly of the stake;

the shade of the bulb and shade assembly being interchangeable on the stem and each shade having a shape representative of a holiday occasion, event or season; and

5 a power source for the lighting system including a plurality of low voltage solar panels mounted to each shade of the bulb and shade assembly for supplying power to each respective bulb.

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